

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yasuhiro OMURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/769,832

Examiner:

R. Fuller

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Docket No.:

108455

For:

PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND METHOD, CATADIOPTRIC

OPTICAL SYSTEM AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF DEVICES

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the December 18, 2002 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, the following is submitted:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.

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